information on pollution control status and prosecution launched against defaulting units etc.

(d) and (e) Central assistance is provided to various State Governments under Paryavaran Vahini Scheme to create environmental awareness and involvement of people through active participation. The scheme is likely to be transferred to the implementing States soon.

Poaching in the Jungles of North Andhra and Konaseema

1713. DR. Y. LAKSHMI PRASAD: Will the Minister of ENVIRONEMNT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether poaching of wild animals and endangered birds continues unabated in the jungles of North Andhra and Konaseema with the forest officials turning a blind eye; and

(b) if so, the steps proposed for proper monitoring and to stop poaching activities, with the help of local volunteers and SPCA?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI BABU LAL MARANDI): (a) No, Sir. As reported by the State Government of Andhra Pradesh, there are no such cases of poaching of wild animals and birds in northern Andhra Pradesh and Konaseema.

(b) Does not arise.

Compensation for injuries caused by Animals

1714. SHRI SANATAN BISI: Will the Minister of ENVIRONEMNT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to enhance the amount of compensation/ assistance on death and injuries caused on human Being due to attack by animals;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details of amount allocated to States and Union-Territories for the purpose during the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONEMNT AND FORESTS (SHRI BABU LAL MARANDI): (a) and (b) The Government has enhanced the amount of compensation for death of human beings due to